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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MAJCOM/SG

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SUBJECT: Interim Policy, AFMAN(I) 48-138, *Sanitary Control and Surveillance of Field Water Supplies*

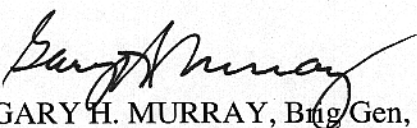
The draft AFMAN provides guidance to assist bioenvironmental engineering (BE) personnel in performing drinking water source identification and surveillance during field operations. All bioenvironmental engineering personnel should immediately become familiar with the information in this manual and employ it to support health risk assessments and provide safe drinking water under field conditions.

AFMAN(I) 48-138 is based on the US Army Technical Bulletin 577 of the same name. The Technical Bulletin is currently going through the joint coordination process with an intended outcome of consistent field water guidance for all DoD assets. The joint coordination process has been delayed and delivery of a final product is at least 1 year away.

Recent requests from USAFE and CENTAF indicated the need for immediate guidance to support current field operations. In conjunction with AFIERA, we have updated the previous draft AFMAN by incorporating BE comments received in the past, input from engineers with recent deployment experience, and inputs reflecting current water surveillance policy. This revised AFMAN has already been provided to USAFE and CENTAF BE to meet operational needs.

The draft AFMAN can be found by logging into the Knowledge Center at: https://www.afms.mil/knowledge_center/login.cfm, going to the AFIERA link and looking in the Water Branch page.

Units employing this guidance should submit any recommended changes/improvements through their MAJCOM BEE to AFMOA/SGZE. My point of contact is Maj Pete Breed, DSN 297-4317, peter.breed@pentagon.af.mil.


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